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SUBJ: GOC REQUEST FOR US ASSISTANCE TO AIRLIFT OUTSIZE CARGO

REF: BOGOTA 1856

1. WE ARE ANXIOUS REPLY FONOFF NOTE RECEIVED FEB 7 REQUESTING US AIR FORCE TO MOVE 57 TONS OF AERONAUTICAL EQUIPMENT (SOME OF IT OUTSIZE - SEE REFTEL) FROM PARIS TO BOGOTA. COMMERCIAL AIRLIFT REPORTEDLY NOT AVAILABLE ON OR ABOUT JUNE 4, WHEN CSF THOMSON EQUIPMENT WILL BE READY FOR SHIPMENT. PRESIDENT PASTRANA EARNESTLY WISHES INAUGURATE BADLY NEEDED EQUIPMENT PRIOR TO LEAVING OFFICE AUG 7. TO DO THIS, EQUIPMENT MUST ARRIVE BOGOTA JUNE 4 LATEST FOR COMMENCEMENT OF INSTALLATION. GOC HAS AGREED PAY FOR US AIR FORCE ASSISTANCE.

2. WE HAVE REVIEWED CONTRACT SIGNED SEPT 1973 BETWEEN COLOMBIAN CIVAIR (DAAC) AND CSF THOMSON REVISING 1969 CONTRACT FOR APPROACH RADAR. NEW CONTRACT CALLS FOR ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT FROM CSF THOMSON TO UPDATE AND COMPLEMENT ORIGINAL PURCHASE. GOC REQUEST IS TO MOVE THIS ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT. REQUEST DOES NOT COVER NEW MATERIALS ABOUT TO BE PURCHASED FROM CSF THOMAS AS RESULT RECENT SERIES OF TENDERS AND DOES NOT COMPRISE ITEMS INVOLVED IN CONTROVERSIAL INTERNATIONAL TENDER 124 OF 1972

3. IT IS CLEAR FROM CONTRACT THAT CSF THOMSON SALE IN THIS IN-
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STANCE WAS FOB PORT OR AIRPORT OF EMBARCATION AND THAT ARRANGE-

MENT FOR TRANSPORT NOT RPT NOT DIRECT RESPONSIBILITY OF THOMSON
BUT OF COLOMBIANS.

4. I URGE EARLIEST POSSIBLE POSITIVE RESPONSE TO FONOFF NOTE. TO
DENY REQUEST OF COLOMBIAN PRESIDENT, IF SCHEDULING WOULD PERMIT
FULFILLING IT, WOULD BE PERHAPS TO RISK JEOPARDIZING CLIMATE
FOR US BUSINESS HERE, ESPECIALLY BUSINESSES TRYING TO SUPPLY
DAAC, AS WELL AS GENERAL RELATIONSHIPS WITH THIS MISSION.

5. WOULD APPRECIATE PRIORITY REPLY.
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